

THE WEATHER

Tonight and Friday:
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SILVER	\$1.01 1/2
Copper	28
Lead	36.05
Quicksilver	\$125.00

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AMERICANS SPRING ATTACK

Offensive Launched on Lorraine Front Proves a Surprise

Huns Will Use Antwerp
Forts for Main Defense

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Sept. 12.—The supreme line of defense to be called the Parisian line is being constructed by the Germans from Antwerp to Metz, says Marcel Hutin in L'Echo de Paris, who says the Germans are putting the Antwerp forts in a defensive condition.

OFFENSIVE
OVERTURE
OF PEACEEVERYTHING INDICATES THAT
FORMAL OFFERING WILL
BE MADE SOON

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Officials regard the German "peace offensive" as being in full swing. It is said to have been indicated by remarks of von Hertling recently, followed by a more formal statement to visiting German newspaper men, in Vienna by the Austrian foreign minister, Burian, remarks of the German crown prince and the speech of Emperor William at Essen.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE
FAILS SAYS BERLIN

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, Sept. 11.—The British, attacking near Armentieres and the canal of La Bassée were repulsed yesterday, according to a German headquarters announcement. British attacks failed along the Canal du Nord between Marquion and Havrincourt, the statement also said.

STEADY INCREASE LOSES
HUN PLANES REPORTED

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Steady increase of German airplane losses is admitted by Captain Otto Lehman in an article published in the Berlin Tageblatt, reviewing the progress of aerial warfare during the year 1917-1918. Captain Lehman attributes the growing losses to two causes: Development of the fighting airplane as a weapon against enemy infantry, and the enhancement of the number of fighting machines due to the transfer of those on the eastern or Russian front to the west front.

"It will be noticed that since January and February, 1918, our figures for losses show a steady increase," Captain Lehman writes. "The reason for that, however, is the increased participation of airplanes resulting from the fact that the German flyers who have been operating on the eastern front migrated to the western front when fighting ceased in the Russian theatre. The increased participation, of course, resulted logically in larger total loss."

"The eastern flyer, who had been accustomed to quite different fighting conditions, in the beginning, undoubtedly had to pay a bloody apprenticeship in fighting with French and British. The Russian as an aerial opponent is now to be compared with the Frenchman and Englishman."

"It would be fundamentally wrong to draw the conclusion from the rise in German losses at the beginning of 1918, that our superiority had waned. Still another factor explains our higher losses. As an infantry plane the aerial weapon is taking part in a considerably increased measure in fighting the attackers on land. Entire squadrons of battle planes, so-called infantry flyers, accompanying the storming of the never falling infantry and by taking full advantage of their speed, attack the enemy reserves at low altitudes with bombs and machine guns."

"These attacks are made often at the ridiculously low altitudes of 100 metres and even 50 metres. It is therefore, at first glance clear, that these new tasks expose the airplanes to every shot fired from the earth, and must increase our losses."

BRITISH CLOSING
IN ON CAMBRAI
OVER THE CANAL

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 12.—The British crossed Canal du Nord, southwest of Havrincourt. The line here forms the main defense of Cambrai on the southwest. The British have established themselves on the westerly bank of the canal east and north of Moewers. The British captured Vermand, Attailly and Vondelles, northwest of St. Quentin and reached the western outskirts of Hognonwood.

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 12.—The British captured all Havrincourt except the northeastern edge. They advanced half a mile on a front of three and a half miles.

USE CAPTIVES TO
PROTECT HANGARS

(By Associated Press)
AMSTERDAM, Sept. 12.—Libre Belgique says about twenty-five British prisoners are confined much like birds in a cage with scarcely room to move about near the flying sheds in a suburb of Brussels to protect hangars against aerial attacks.

REGISTERING PROCEEDS
WITHOUT GREAT RUSH

From the first moment the registration booths opened this morning until the time the Bonanza goes on press there was a steady stream of registrants and everything worked smoothly as the officials were thoroughly posted on their duties and lost no time in dealing with applicants. A careful canvass of the judges elicited the information that the record of issuing cards was about the same ranging from three to five minutes. The former rate was for intelligent American citizens and the latter was due to foreigners who could not clearly understand the nature of the questions. At 3 o'clock this afternoon a total of 682 names appeared on the seven registration places in Tonopah.

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YANKS LEAD WHAT MAY
BE DECISIVE STRUGGLE
ON ST. MIHIEL SECTOR

(By Associated Press)
The Franco-American assault evidently is aimed primarily for the famous St. Mihiel salient which has projected into the allied line southwest of Verdun for four years.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—With the launching of the Franco-American attack the greatest battle, and, perhaps, the decisive struggle of the war may have begun. The first employment of General Pershing's new army in this action is possibly the prelude to a great effort to cut deeply into the enemy lines around Verdun and compel abandonment of much territory in Alsace-Lorraine.

(By Associated Press)
AMERICAN FORCES ON THE LORRAINE FRONT, Sept. 12.—Reuter's Agency announces that the French and American forces launched an attack today against German positions on both sides of the St. Mihiel salient.

The weather was fine and the attack was a most dashing one and successful so far. It covers a twenty-mile front. Entente airplanes are operating in large numbers. The Germans are falling back on the front each side of the St. Mihiel salient. The Germans were not aware of the direction of the attack. The Americans are intensely eager and fighting magnificently.

YANKEE DOWNS
3 HUN PLANESNEW YORKER RETURNS FROM
ENEMY LINES AFTER HARD
AIR FIGHT

(By Associated Press)
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE (Wednesday), Sept. 11.—Three German airplanes are believed to have been shot down yesterday by Lieutenant Jacques Schwab of New York. When returning from a flight over the lines he engaged and shot down a Fokker machine. He was attacked by a group of Germans of whom he shot one down in flames and forced another to descend out of control.

STOCK EXCHANGES CLOSED
All stock exchanges are closed today by request of President Wilson and the action of every state executive in declaring this a legal holiday.

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PROHIBITION ZONES
FOR WAR PLANTS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The president signed the joint resolution empowering him to establish prohibition zones around war plants.

KAISER APPEARS
AT KRUPP WORKS
AS PEACEMAKER

(By Associated Press)
AMSTERDAM, Sept. 12.—Speaking at the Krupp works today Emperor William declared every one to the remotest corner of the fatherland knew he "left no stone" unturned to shorten the war as far as possible for his people and the entire civilized European world.

AUSTRIANS WIN FEW
PLACES IN ALBANIA

(By Associated Press)
VIENNA, Sept. 12.—The Austrian war office announced today that a "successful" attack was made on the Tomborica bridge in Albania, giving us possession of enemy positions at a few points.

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Some prisoners were taken. The first wave of Americans met little resistance. At 3 o'clock today the second American wave was in possession of several points of the German first line.

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 12.—The Americans captured Thilcourt, Pannes and Noursard, north of St. Mihiel. They also captured Combras and are reported to have reached the western outskirts of Don Martin and Lamontagne. The French are co-operating with the Americans who have reached the western outskirts of St. Mihiel.

TRYING TO CHECK
YANKEE ATTACKS

(By Associated Press)
WITH THE AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE, Sept. 12.—In frantic efforts to stem the tide of the allied advance the German high command has been taking divisions out of the quiet sectors around Verdun, Woerwa and Lorraine and which had been sent to recuperate, and are putting them into line after a very brief rest.

MOBILIZE WOMEN FOR
BIG LOAN CAMPAIGN

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—County and city chairmen of the National Women's Liberty Loan committee have conferred on a plan of mobilization of the entire woman power of California to support the fourth loan campaign.

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French Women Propose a
Monument to U. S. Sisters

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—A committee has notified the American Red Cross of a movement of French women to erect a monument in Paris in honor of the women of the United States as a reminder to future generations of "this beautiful sisterhood that forms an imperishable bond between us."

HEART FAILURE
ALONE CAN STOP
ALLIED VICTORY

(By Associated Press)
MANCHESTER, England, Sept. 12.—"Nothing but heart failure on the part of the British nation can prevent our achieving real victory," Premier Lloyd George said in a speech in which he announced that British casualties in the last offensive were one-fifth what they were in 1916. He said he was for a league of nations. The league had already been begun. The British empire was the leader of free nations and allied countries. Those fighting the battle for international rights were the league of free nations.

The premier said: "To end all wars we must impose durable peace from our enemies. The Prussian military power must not only be beat, but Germany herself must know, and the German people must know that their rulers outraged the laws of humanity and that Prussian strength cannot protect them from punishment. This must be the last war. Do not let us mislead the world against such a catastrophe. A league of nations with the Prussian military power triumphant would be a league of one fox and many geese. The geese would greatly diminish in numbers."

BRUTAL TREATMENT
OF HUN COLONISTS

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 12.—Edmond Georges, acting secretary of the interior, today made public a report containing evidence of the brutal methods employed by Germany in the administration of her colonies in Africa. This he considered an indictment of German fitness to rule the black native of Africa. The report constitutes the British reply to the German secretary of state for her colonies hat Germany demand a return of her colonies at the proposed peace conference.

TEUTON TREACHERY
ON THE BATTLEFIELD

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 12.—Grim-faced, begrimed and stained after several days of desperate, continuous battle, a platoon of marines was firing rapidly but calmly and accurately at the Hun ranks. The foe's numbers were in the majority but the sea soldiers' fire was proving speedily evening. Suddenly the Huns dropped their rifles and cried "Kamerad." The marines calmly waited for the surrendering enemy to approach. When the foe came within 200 yards their first lines dropped. They had been dragging machine guns by ropes attached to their belts. About thirty marines fell, before their comrades with a yell of rage and revenge surged forward. The bayonet let not a Hun survive. This is another example of Teuton treachery. It is told by an officer and two members of the platoon in a hospital.

PETROGRAD
SEIZED BY
PEASANTRY

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 12.—Russian peasants who revolted recently against the Bolshevik government have entered Petrograd, it is reported. They have been joined by a large part of the population, according to a Copenhagen dispatch. Severe fighting is proceeding and fires have broken out in some places.

(By Associated Press)
STOCKHOLM, Sept. 12.—Apparently reliable advice says twenty-two English-French citizens are imprisoned at the Fortress of Petrograd.

FIRST RAINFALL
CAUSED DAMAGE

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The season's first rainfall, drenching three-quarters of the state, will benefit grazing land in northern California and Nevada. The rain damaged stacked grain and table grapes in parts of the Sacramento valley, according to the government weather bureau.

POLISH SITUATION
GRAVE PROBLEM

(By Associated Press)
COPENHAGEN, Sept. 12.—The Berlin Vossische Zeitung says no solution of the Polish situation has been found and the matter will be considered at conferences between Admiral Paul von Hintze, the German foreign secretary, and Baron Burian, the Austrian foreign minister.

Rumors of Burian's impending resignation the newspapers said are due to his determination to insist upon an Austro-Polish solution of union with the dual monarchy, which finds no favor in Germany.

CALIFORNIA WILL
REGISTER 500,000

(By Associated Press)
SACRAMENTO, Sept. 12.—The early rush of men to register for military service swamped registration booths throughout the state, Adjutant General Borree announced. Approximately half a million are expected to register in California.

ED. CLARK, treasurer of Clark county, was a passenger from Las Vegas this morning en route to Reno to attend the council of defense.